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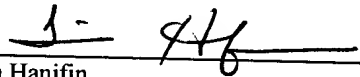
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed March 22, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for heat treating a barium titanate-based particulate composition comprising:

hydrothermally-producing a barium titanate-based particulate composition;  
heating the barium titanate-based particulate composition at a temperature between about 700 °C and about 1150 °C to form a heat-treated particulate composition, wherein the heat-treated particulate composition has an A/B ratio; and  
adjusting the A/B ratio of the heat-treated particulate composition

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